

HOLIDAY WINDOW PAINTING CONTEST

To Benefit Special Olympics Connecticut

Sunday December 6, 2015

Bertucci's of Avon

380 West Main Street

Avon, CT



Support SOCT this Holiday Season by window painting your favorite holiday scene for a chance to win great prizes!

\$50 entry fee will be donated to Special Olympics CT

Prizes will be awarded for First, Second, and Third place winners

For Registration and Contest Rules contact:

Officer Connoles at econnoles@avonct.gov or (860)409-4200

Dispatcher Shea at mshea@avonct.gov or (860)409-4200

Registration must be done in advance - space is limited to 12 Windows!

Sponsored by the Avon Police Department & Bertucci's of Avon

Avon Police Department Holiday Window Painting Contest

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Rules and Regulations

I. Date, Time, Rain

- a. Artists may paint their windows on Sunday December 6, 2015 from 8:00 am to 1:00pm. **All work must be finished by 1:00pm.**
- b. In the event of rain/snow forecasted for Sunday December 6, 2015, the windows will be painted on Saturday December 5, 2015 and the "Dining for Dollars" portion of the event will remain on Sunday. A decision would be made by 7:00pm on Friday evening and all artists will be notified by their preferred method of contact.

II. Paints and Equipment

- a. **Each contestant will supply his/her own tempera paints and brushes. Only water-based tempera paint will be permitted.** Contestants may mix their own colors or use ready-mixed colors.
- b. No felt-tip markers, crayons, china markers, pencils, pens or glitter will be permitted. **No solid black, navy blue, dark gray or charcoal gray backgrounds will be permitted. Solid dark colors combined with sun exposure may damage merchant windows.**
- c. Suggested Equipment:
Assorted colors of **water-based tempera paint ONLY (poster paint will dry transparent)**
Bon Ami (or Ajax or Comet) to add consistency to paint to help it to adhere to window
Plastic cups for mixing paint
Assorted paint brushes
One large box for garbage, rags and paper, etc.
Low stepstool/ladder (No ladder taller than 3 feet)
Wear warm clothes
Large Plastic bag to dispose of all waste
A covered coffee can or thermos filled with water for washing brushes
Rags or paper towels to wipe brushes, spills
Rocks or weights to hold papers (in case of windy weather)

III. Painting Rules

- a. Painting must have Holiday theme. Painting will be judged on: originality, artistic merit and execution. Any paintings that are inappropriate, offensive or obscene will be removed immediately, and artists will be disqualified.

- b. **Painting size is approximately 3 feet wide by 5 feet tall.** The dimensions will be measured out and marked with masking tape. Contestants must paint within taped area. Contestants may not paint on sidewalk, brickwork, or any areas other than the assigned window. The sidewalk, brickwork, etc. will be covered with newspaper or cardboard. Failure to obey this rule will result in disqualification.
- c. Contestants may NOT scratch paint off window in order to create a design. **This damages merchant's windows.**
- d. Contestants may seek advice or suggestions from any source or individual, **but the work must be done by the contestant only.**
- e. Contestants under the age of 18 must be supervised by an adult at all times.
- f. All work must be done freehand; no stencils for lettering or painting will be allowed. This includes pre-cut materials used to trace or aid in painting of the window (eg cardboard boxes used for straight edges or tracing pictures out of magazines or books).
- g. All contestants are responsible for cleaning the area around their windows and sidewalks and disposing of all trash when their painting is finished.
- h. The windows will remain painted for 24 hours at which time Bertucci's will clean the windows.

IV. Judging

- a. The painting will be judged on Sunday December 6, 2015 at 2:00pm. Awards will be posted on the winning windows.
- b. Paintings must have a Holiday/Winter theme. Painting will be judged on Originality, artistic merit, and execution.
- c. Three prizes, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd will be awarded. Photos will be taken with each winner with their window, for a press release.
- d. All judges' decisions are final

V. Painting Pointers

- a. Sketch your painting ahead of time on a piece of paper.
- b. It is often easier to paint the background first and then paint the scene or characters over the background once it has dried.
- c. Mixing a few shakes of Bon Ami (or similar product) into tempera paint improves its consistency and helps it adhere to the window. **But don't use a lot of Bon Ami too much may cause paint to crack.**

Have a good time, and invite your family and friends to Bertucci's for dinner and to see your window once you done. Bring the attached flyer and 15% of you food bill will be donated to Special Olympics!!

Holiday Window Painting Contest Registration

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail address: _____

Preferred method of Contact: _____

Please return your registration form, with entry fee and waiver to Officer Connole or Dispatcher Shea at the Avon Police Department, 60 West Main Street, Avon.

Window # _____

(Office use only)

SPECIAL OLYMPICS CONNECTICUT, INC.

**RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND
INDEMNITY AND PARENTAL CONSENT AGREEMENT ("Agreement")**

In consideration of participating in the Special Olympics Connecticut/Avon Police Department **"Holiday Window Painting Contest"**, I represent that I understand the nature of the Holiday Window Painting event and that I and/or my minor child am qualified, in good health, and in proper physical condition to participate in such Activity. I acknowledge that if I and/or my minor child believe event conditions are unsafe, I and/or my minor child will immediately discontinue participation in the Activity.

I fully understand that the **Holiday Window Painting** event involves risks of serious bodily injury, including permanent disability, paralysis and death, which may be caused by my own actions, or inactions, those of others participating in the event, the conditions in which the event takes place, or the negligence of the "releasees" named below; and that there may be other risks either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time; and I fully accept and assume all such risks and all responsibility for losses, costs, and damages I and/or my minor child incur as a result of my and/or my minor child's participation in the Activity.

I hereby release, discharge, and covenant not to sue **Special Olympics Inc., Special Olympics Connecticut, Inc.** its respective administrators, directors, agents, officers, volunteers, and employees, other participants, any sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises on which the Activity takes place, (each considered one of the "RELEASEES" herein) from all liability, claims, demands, losses, or damages on my account caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the "releasees" or otherwise, including negligent rescue operations; and I further agree that if, despite this release, waiver of liability, and assumption of risk I, or anyone on my and/or my minor child's behalf, makes a claim against any of the Releasees, I will indemnify, save, and hold harmless each of the releasees from any loss, liability, damage, or cost which any may incur as the result of such claim.

I have read this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, AND PARENTAL CONSENT AGREEMENT, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it and have signed it freely without any inducement or assurance of any nature and intend it be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law and agree that if any portion of this agreement is held to be invalid the balance, notwithstanding, shall continue in full force and effect.

Printed Name of Participant

Signature of Participant (only if age 18 or over)

Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian
(If participant under age 18)

Emergency Contact

Phone Number

Do Not Mail – Please Bring to Registration Table at event